



**2016**  
**NEVADA INITIATIVE & REFERENDA ELECTION CALENDAR**  
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Nevada Revised Statutes  
(unless otherwise noted)  
**Nevada Constitution**  
**Art. 19, Sec. 1(1)**

<b>AUG. 1, 2015</b>	<b><u>REFERENDUM PETITION</u></b> – (not earlier than August 1 <sup>st</sup> of the year before the election is to be held) First day a copy of a petition can be filed with the Secretary of State prior to circulation. (Not earlier than Aug. 1 (which is a Saturday))	
<b>SEPT. 1, 2015</b>	<b><u>INITIATIVE PETITION TO AMEND THE NEVADA CONSTITUTION</u></b> – (not earlier than September 1 <sup>st</sup> of the year before the year in which the election is to be held) First day a copy of an initiative petition to amend the Nevada Constitution can be filed with the Secretary of State prior to circulation.	<b>Nevada Constitution</b> <b>Art. 19, Sec. 2(4)</b>
<b>JAN. 1, 2016</b>	<b><u>INITIATIVE PETITION PROPOSING A NEW STATE STATUTE OR TO AMEND AN EXISTING STATE STATUTE</u></b> – (not earlier than January 1 <sup>st</sup> of the year preceding the year in which a regular session of the legislature is held) First day a copy of an initiative petition proposing a new state statute or an amendment to an existing state statute can be filed with the Secretary of State prior to circulation.	<b>Nevada Constitution</b> <b>Art. 19, Sec. 2(3)</b>
<b>JUNE 21, 2016</b>	<b><u>STATE REFERENDUM</u></b> – (not later than the 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday in June of an even-numbered year) Last day to submit to County Clerk/Registrar for signature verification petition to have any statute or resolution enacted by the Legislature submitted to referendum vote of the people. All documents of the petition must be submitted at the same time.	<b>295.056(4)</b>
<b>JUNE 21, 2016</b>	<b><u>INITIATIVE TO AMEND THE CONSTITUTION</u></b> – (not later than the 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday in June of an even-numbered year) Last day to submit to County Clerk/Registrar for signature verification, petition proposing an amendment to the Constitution. All documents of the petition must be submitted at the same time.	<b>295.056(3)</b>
<b>JULY 1, 2016</b>	<b><u>COUNTY REFERENDUM</u></b> – (not later than 130 days before the next succeeding general election) Last day to file a County referendum petition with the County Clerks for signature verification.	<b>295.140(2)</b>
<b>JULY 11, 2016</b>	<b><u>COUNTY CLERK/REGISTRAR TO FILE VERIFIED STATE REFERENDUM PETITION</u></b> - (not less than 120 days before the next succeeding general election) Last day County Clerk/Registrar shall file a verified state referendum petition with the Secretary of State.	<b>295.045(1)</b>
<b>AUG. 10, 2016</b>	<b><u>LAST DAY TO FILE PETITION AMENDING CONSTITUTION</u></b> – (90 days before the General Election) After completions of signature verification, last day an initiative petition amending the Nevada Constitution may be filed with the Secretary of State.	<b>Nevada Constitution,</b> <b>Art. 19, Sec. 2(4)</b>
<b>OCT. 3, 2016</b>	<b><u>PUBLISH STATEWIDE MEASURES</u></b> – (on or before the 1 <sup>st</sup> Monday in October) The County Clerk/Registrar shall cause to be published in a newspaper of general circulation, the condensation, explanation, arguments, rebuttals, and fiscal notes of any statewide measure. If no such newspaper is published in the county, the publication may be made in a newspaper of general circulation published in the nearest county in the State.	<b>293.253(5)</b>
<b>OCT. 3, 2016 through OCT. 17, 2016</b>	<b><u>PUBLISH CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS</u></b> – (on or before the 1 <sup>st</sup> Monday in October and 2 additional times at intervals of no less than 7 days) The County Clerk/Registrar shall cause to be published for the first time, second time and third time in a newspaper of general circulation, the full text, condensation, explanation, arguments, rebuttals, and fiscal notes of any constitutional amendment or measure. If no such newspaper is published in the county, the publication may be made in a newspaper of general circulation published in the nearest county in the State.	<b>293.253(3)</b>
<b>NOV. 8, 2016</b>	<b><u>INITIATIVE PETITION TO PROPOSE A NEW STATUTE OR AMEND AN EXISTING ONE</u></b> - (not later than the 2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday in November of an even-numbered year) Last date to submit a statutory initiative petition to the County Clerk/Registrar for verification of signatures.	<b>295.056(2)</b>
<b>JAN. 7, 2017</b>	<b><u>FILING OF INITIATIVE PETITION TO PROPOSE NEW STATUTE OR AMEND EXISTING STATUTE</u></b> - (not less than 30 days before a regular session of the Legislature) Last day for County Clerk/Registrar to file an initiative petition with the Secretary of State after signature verification.	<b>Nevada Constitution</b> <b>Art. 19, Sec. 2(3)</b>